

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : GROITZSCH et al.
International Application No. : PCT/EP99/06144
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For : **PERFORATED NONWOVEN FABRIC
AND METHOD FOR ITS MANUFACTURE**

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Attention: DO/EO/US

**RESPONSE TO MISSING REQUIREMENTS
UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371**

S I R :

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US), mailed May 9, 2001, Applicants submit herewith a certified English translation of the German language specification and a fully executed Declaration and Power of Attorney in order to complete the filing requirements for the U.S. national phase of the above-identified PCT application. The application filed in the Patent Office is the application which the inventors executed by signing the Declaration and Power of Attorney. A copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements is also enclosed.

The Office is authorized to charge the \$130.00 fee for providing the English translation of the application later than 30 months from the priority date, as well as the \$130.00 fee to cover the surcharge for late filing of the Declaration (total amount to be charged = \$260.00), to **Deposit Account No. 11-0600**. The Office is also hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 11-0600 with any additional fees required by this paper or credit any overpayment.

Applicants respectfully request a **one-month extension of time** in which to respond to the Notification dated May 9, 2001, for which a response period expiring on July 9, 2001 was set. The extended period for response expires on August 9, 2001. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) extension fee of **\$110.00** to the deposit account of Kenyon & Kenyon, deposit account number **11-0600**.

An additional copy of this letter is enclosed for charging purposes.

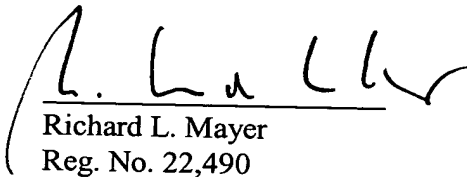
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